

BALTIMORE CITY--COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION

CDBG SURVEY YEAR:NA
AREA:Walbrook

SURVEY NO.:B-4192
MAGI NO.:0441928704

ADDRESS:3512 Clifton Avenue
CURRENT NAME:

BLOCK:2810 LOT:7
HEIGHT:3 stories
CONDITION:Good

LOT SIZE:46' 8" x 150' 0"
MATERIALS:Brick
OWNER:Ashman Limited Partnership
ADDRESS:
ACCESSIBLE:No
LIBER/FOLIO:SEB1543-544



HISTORIC NAME:Suburban Apartments
DATE:1906-1913
ARCHITECT/BUILDER:
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):Mission Revival

DESCRIPTION:

3512 Clifton Avenue is one of three identical apartment buildings located on the north side of Clifton Avenue between Elsinore and Roslyn Avenues. They are very similar to apartment buildings at 3302-06 Clifton Avenue (B-4189-4191). 3512 has a flat roof with a Mission shaped roof parapet. The Mission details are continued in the 4-centered arches, square wood piers on the second floor, and decorative quatrefoils of the brackets on the pent roof of the three story stuccoed porch which dominates the building's facade. The first floor of the porch has a metal railing and a decorative metal column, not a wood pier. The apartment building is 3 bays wide with a center door and, on the first and second floors, 2 rounded 3 sided bays, each with its own center door. The windows on the facade are largely vertical 3 over 1. There are 3 story rounded bays of the building's side elevations.

SIGNIFICANCE:

AREA:Architecture LEVEL:Local

3512 Clifton Avenue was built in the early 20th century, maps indicate between 1906 and 1913. It is an example of the use of the Mission Revival style in suburban development. The Mission Revival style was most common outside of the southwest between 1905-1920. (McAlester, A Field Guide to American Homes, p.408-415) The Mission style details of this row of apartment buildings includes smooth stucco walls, scalloped shaped Mission roof parapets, square porch supports that are arched above, and decorative quatrefoils. Walbrook is considered by some sources to be one of Baltimore's earliest suburbs. It was originally called Walbrook Park, named for Galloway Cheston's estate Walbrook, located at what is now the intersection of Hilton St. and Walbrook Ave. It merged with another early suburb--Highland Park, located to its north. The combined area was called Walbrook. Walbrook is located in the section of Baltimore County annexed in 1888. The majority of buildings built in Walbrook before 1896 were frame. These apartment buildings are not the product of Walbrook's earliest suburban years, instead they are the result of later development and urban expansion. Development increased in Walbrook after 1890 when the City's electric street car line was extended further north. In 1906 this block of Clifton was the grounds for the W.H. Perkins, Jr. house.

SOURCES:Bond,Allen K.,Guide to Baltmre & Environs.1926/Beyond Wht Mrble Steps/ Bromley Atlas 1896 & 1906./ CHAP Files & Ashburton Survey/McAlester/MHS, V.Files/Pratt, V.Files.

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WINDSOR AV.

ELSINORE AV.

WINDSOR MILL RD.

ROSLYN AV.

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CLIFTON AV.

3512 CLIFTON AVENUE
B-4192

FROM PLANS

WALBROOK HIGH SCHOOL
NO. 471

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(C. & R. E.)
(DR. W. L. G. 10)

F.P.Y. - 1969
(C. & R. E.)

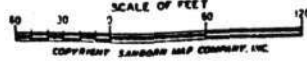
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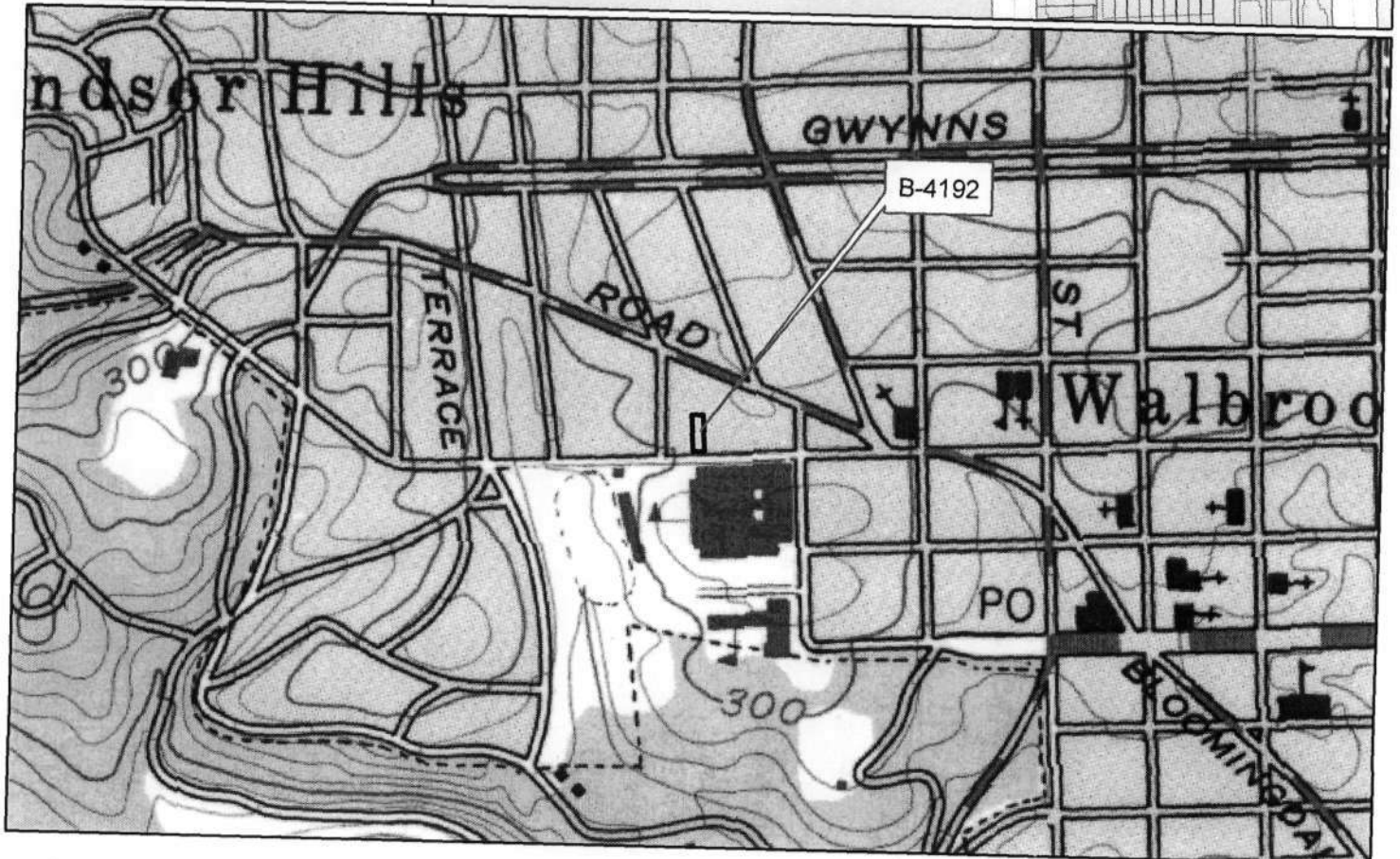
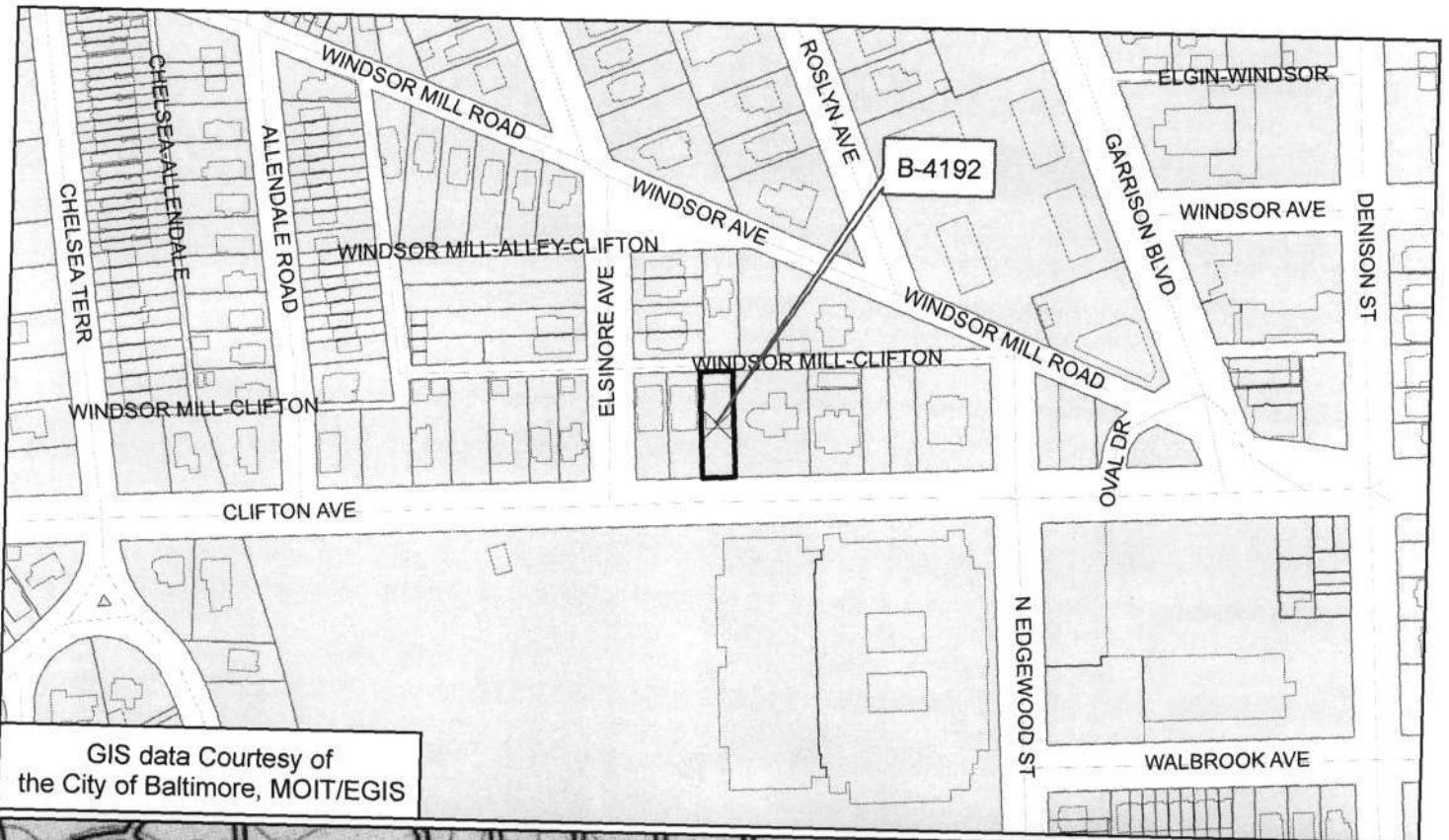
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EDGEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NO. 67

AUDITORIUM
N.C. - 1958
(C. & R. E.)
GYM.



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Block 2810 Lot 007
Baltimore City
Baltimore West Quad.





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